Utah Office of Tourism Board Meeting

Red Cliffs Lodge Colorado Room Moab, Utah June 1, 2007

Present Board Members

Kim McClelland Steve Burr
Colin Fryer Shelleice Stokes
Bob Bonar Georgianna Knudson
Bob Syrett Steve Lindburg

Staff

Leigh von der Esch Barbara Bloedorn

Guests Organization

Representative Brad King Utah House of Representatives

Bob Greenberg County Council
Tara Campbell Grand County

Gene L. Ciarus Grand County Council
John Knowles Moab Area Travel Council
Jerry C. M'Neely Grand County Council
Keith Brewer Moab City Council

Maggie Wilson Magpie Adventures Cycling Tours

Jim Lewis Grand County Council

Jeff Davis City of Moab – Council Member

Sandy Bastian Red Cliffs Lodge

Chuck Schildt Moab Information Center Michele Hill Tag-A-Long Expeditions

Matt Durazzani Utah.com

Arlo Tejada Sheri Griffith Expeditions

Red Oelerich Outdoor Utah

Shane Osguthorpe Out of Bounds Creative
Mike Caudwell Weber County/Ogden CVB

Monica Tibbetts Red Shore Inn
Shauna Lanery Red Stone Inn
Joannine TJ Times Independent

Mayor Dave Sakrison City of Moab

Marian Delay Moab Travel Council

Nan Anderson
Elizabeth Brown
Monique Beeley
Thomas Cooke

Ski Utah
Outdoor Utah
Struck

Brenda Yardley Youth Garden Project

Welcome

Kim and Colin welcomed the group to the meeting. Kim thanked Colin and Sandy for their hospitality at Red Cliffs Lodge. Kim had everyone in the room introduce themselves.

Amendment: Steve Lindburg asked to reflect a sincere thanks to Colin and his team for hosting the board for the weekend of the June 1st board meeting.

Minutes

MOTION: Bob Syrett made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 16th meeting. Shelleice Stokes seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Marketing Committee Report

Thomas from Struck gave an update on:

- A. Utah.travel summer splash page (winter splash page/launch in October)
- B. B Roll Shoot to update footage (19 days of shooting)
- C. Kiosks (summer/winter wrap design chosen)
- D. Winter TV Spot (October 1st air date)
- E. Winter Print Ads (Will share one print ad campaign production with Ski Utah)

MOTION: Shelleice made a motion to take \$25,000 from the uncommitted 2006/2007 Marketing Budget for the B Roll Shoot to add 4 additional shoot days to include; Dutch John Flaming Gorge, Cache, Box Elder and Davis County. Georgianna seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

MOTION: Shelleice made a motion to create a policy for this winter ad campaign, in which the state is sharing production cost with Ski Utah, that the Utah Life Elevated Logo must be used on all of the ads. Bob Syrett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There will be more discussion in the future on policies regarding sharing ads with other partners such as ad placement, logo placement, etc.

Shelleice asked the group to give feedback before the August Board meeting if they have any ideas for the marketing committee. The marketing plan will be voted on at the August 10th board meeting.

There was some discussion regarding the Madden insert and future participation either twice a year or quarterly.

Leigh discussed the "Visit Utah First, Just a Tank Away" KSL campaign which ran last year for 3 months. The state created 60 second commercials to encourage in-state travel. On Wednesday June 6th the UOT is doing a live broadcast from Council Hall with KSL to kick off the campaign again. The broadcast will run for 4 hours and there will be give away items such as posters and trips. They will talk about all the things you can do around the state without having to drive so far from home.

Policies and Procedures

Leigh briefly discussed the policy on attendance for the board which needs further discussion and approval by the board. She also briefly discussed the policy and procedure on FAM, Familiarization tours and tradeshows. Leigh explained to the audience when deciding who gets to go to the trade shows, we try to include people who represent trade organizations or major organizations in our booth.

Strategic Planning

It was decided that the full board would meet for a strategic planning meeting on Tuesday, June 26th for a half day to create a 3 year plan. Steve Lindburg offered to host the meeting at the Hilton.

Directors Report

Leigh thanked Struck, Mike Deaver and the Marketing Committee for their work in putting the report together for the meeting.

She also covered:

- A. Sunset Magazine Tradeshow that Mike Deaver and Clayton Scrivner attended.
- B. Sale of the new posters of Utah images \$7,000 in sales the first week. They can be ordered on line.
- C. The Four Corners meeting to be held in Belgium in the Netherlands to open up product placement for both winter and non-winter activities week of June 11th.
- D. Merchandise was made available at the airport Memorial Weekend. Shirts, hats and pens are being sold. (Kim requested that samples of merchandise being sold, be brought to the August meeting for the board to see).
- E. Awards received for the 2007 "Life Elevated" Scenic Calendar in the National World Calendar Awards Competition.

Steve Lindburg gave a brief update on the Web Committee findings. The goal is to determine the best way to manage our relationship with Utah.com. The decisions to make by the UOT committee and board are; either purchasing the URL, renewing the contract, building up the Utah.travel site or creating a new site. A decision will be made by the end of August.

Kim asked the group to be sure to go out and get to know their representatives and senators and talk about the great work that has been done with the funding and the momentum that has been built. He asked if a power point could be created to present to the legislature to validate the good things that have been done with the funding. Leigh indicated that Dave Williams is already working on that.

Bob Syrett talked about the good press generated by the Tourism Conference.

Steve Lindberg talked about the benefits of being a member of UTIC.

The board and staff took a moment to recognize Shelleice Stokes and thank her for her service on the board and as chairman of the marketing committee. Her term ends the last day of June.

Public Comment

Mayor Sakrison and Representative King thanked the board and staff for coming to Moab and for their hard work on behalf of the group.

Nan Anderson talked to the group about Lagoon Day to be held August 10th as well as the 2008 Tourism Conference that will be held May 12-14 at the Hilton Salt Lake City Center.

Red Oelerich talked about the activities that will be taking place for the weekend in Moab.

The next board meeting will be held August 10th in Salt Lake City. The location to be determined.

Meeting adjourned.